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Shawn M. Garvin
Regional Administrator
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1650 Arch Street
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Re: Revision of Water Quality Standards Regulations

Dear Mr. Garvin:

I hereby certify that revisions to the Maryland Department of Environment's water quality standard regulations were duly adopted in accordance with the State Administrative Procedures Act. Pursuant to Sections 10-101 *et. seq.* of the State Government Article, proposed revisions to Code of Maryland Regulation 26.08.02.03-3 were published in the Maryland Register on January 13, 2012. A public meeting was held in Baltimore on January 26, 2012, and the regulations were published as final on March 23, 2012 with an effective date of April 2, 2012.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Paul N. De Santis".

Paul N. De Santis
Assistant Attorney General